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PATENT  
8040-1041

**IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Masamoto TAGO et al.

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Group: 2818

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SYSTEM SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND  
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 29, 2003

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of June 23, 2003, and  
further to the Notice of Appeal filed July 7, 2003, please amend  
the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing  
of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.